quent air accidents in the IAF during 1989 and 90, during which period the accident rates have shown a down ward trend. The main causes for air accident are technical failure, human error and bird strike. Each accident is investigated by a Court of Inquiry comprising specialists from the IAF, Ministry of Defence and the manufacturers. Suitable remedial measures are taken in the basis of recommendations made by the Court.

(h) No, Sir. There is no evidence to indicate the possibility of defection.

Expenditure incurred on Government/ Law officials travels abroad for investigations into Bofors Scandal

1490. SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY; Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state;

(a) the names of Government officials and Law officers who have travelled abroad for investigation into the Bofors Scandal since December 1, 1989;

(b) the dates, duration and countries visited by officers; and

(c) the expenditure incurred on these visits by Government?

THE PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI VISHWANATH PRATAP SINGH): (a) The names of Government officials and Law officers who have travelled abroad for investigation into the Bofors Scandal since December 1, 1989:

(b) The dates, duration and countries visited by officers;

:Sl. No.	D illation of visit	Names of officers	Places visi'ed
1.	(i) 24-1-90 to 29-1-90	Shri Bhure Lal	(i) Geneva Rome
.	(ii) 3-2-90 to 17-2-90	Joint Secretary,	(ii) Geneva
	(iii) 22-3-90 to 1-4-30	Fiime Minister's Office.	(iii) Bonn/Frankfurt
	(iv) 12-6-90 to 24-6-90		(iv) Geneva, Stockholm
	(v) 27-6-90 to 24-6-90		(v) Dubai
2	(i) 23-1-90 to 28-1-90	Shri K. Madhavan,	(i) Geneva, Berne
	(ii) 8-2-90 to 21-2-90 (iii) 30-3-90 to 7-4-90	Joint Director (E). CBI, New Delhi.	(li) Geneva, Berine, Stock-holm
	(iv) 16-7-90 to 26-7-90		(iii) Geneva, Beine, Stockholm (iv) Geneva, Berne, Stockholm
3.	14-2-90 to 21-2-90	Shri R.M. Singh, Superintendent of Police, C.B.I., New Delhi.	Geneva, Stockholm
4.	20-3-90 to 31-3-90	Shri Umesh, Deputy Superintendent of police, CBI.	Geneva, Berne
5.	(i) 22-2-90 to 31-3-90 (ii) 12-6-90 to 14-6-96 (iii) 27-6-90 to 73-6-90	Shri M.D. Sharma, Joint Director(E) C.B.I., New Delhi.	(i) Geneva, Berne, Bonn, Hamburg, Keil (ii/ Geneva, Berne, Stock' notm, Bonn, Hi-nburg, (iii) Dubai
6.	16-7-90 to 26-7-90	Shri R. Shekhar, Director, C.B.I. New Delhi.	Geneva, Berne, Stockholm

(c) The expenditure incurred on these visits by Government.

The total expenditure incurred on the visits of the above mentioned Government servants on account of Travelling and Daily Allowances is given below:

Indian Rupees	Foreign Exchange
Rs. 4,53,132-24	US$ 6558.5G

The requisite information in respect of Law Officers is being collected and will be furnished separately.

Opening of regional office of national . Book Trust

1491. DR. NAGEN SAIKIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state;

(a) whether Government propose to open a regional office of the National Book Trust in Guwahati for giving better service to the region;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, Whether Government propose to take a decision in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA) : (a) to (c) Presently, the Eastern Regional Office of the National Book Trust, India located at Calcutta caters to the needs of the North Eastern Region. The National Book Trust, India, however, propose in their Draft Eighth Five Year Plan that a sub-regional office for the North East should be set up at Guwahati headed by an Assistant Regional Manager.

Appointment of a non-assamese speaking Librarian in Central Secretariat Library

1492. DR. NAGEN SAIKIA': Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

Ca) whether it is a fact that the post of a Librarian for the Assamese Section in the Central Secretariat Library has been filled np by a person who does not know Assamese;

(b) what are the reasons for not appointing an Assamese speaking person; and

(c) whether Government would ap point some Assamese to that post?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Yes, Sir.

Manufacture/Import of computers

1493. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is Government's programme for the manufacture/ import of computers of various sizes in the current financial year;

(b) the number of units in the country licensed to manufacture spare parts for computers; and

(c) what is their licensed capacity/ installed capacity and the actual production during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE UST THE: MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (PROF. M. G. K. MENON): (a) Government have licensed a number of parties for creating a wide manufacturing base for production of micros, minis, super minis, engineering work stations and mainframe computer systems of various sizes. Foreign collaborations have been allowed and import of design and drawings are permitted on a liberal basis, i

New manufacturing projects in *the*-areas of specialised systems such; as knowledge based computer systems, artificial intelligence, real time computer systems and parallel processing;